

Public Notice of the Availability of an Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received an application for financial assistance from the City of Chino Hills for the construction of the English Channel Improvement Project. As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, an Environmental Assessment (EA) has been prepared that evaluates the potential environmental consequences of the proposed project. This notice announces the availability for public review and comment on the Environmental Assessment (EA) and an accompanying Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

The English Channel Improvement Project consists of the construction of a new box culvert on the English Channel at Peyton Drive, south of Eucalyptus Avenue in the City of Chino Hills. The new box culvert would replace an existing undersized concrete pipe culvert at this location. In addition, the project entails improvements to the English Channel upstream and downstream of the new culvert to increase the capacity of the Channel. The purpose of the project is to alleviate flooding which currently occurs on Peyton Avenue south of Grand Avenue during heavy rains. In a related project, the City is also proposing to widen Peyton Drive between Grand Avenue and the Chino Hills Parkway and extend Eucalyptus Avenue westward from Peyton Drive to the existing terminus of Eucalyptus Avenue. The EA examines the potential effects of all of the above projects.

The EA and unsigned FONSI are available on EPA, Region 9's website at: <http://www.epa.gov/region9/nepa/epa-generated.html>. Copies of the EA and FONSI are also available for review at the following locations:

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9
75 Hawthorne Street (WTR-5)
San Francisco, CA 94105
Contact: Eugene Bromley (415) 972-3510

City of Chino Hills
Engineering Department
2001 Grand Avenue
Chino Hills, CA 91709
Contact: Anne Dutrey (909) 364-2760

James S. Thalman Chino Hills Branch Library
2003 Grand Avenue
Chino Hills, CA 91709
Telephone: (909) 590-5380

If you are unable to access the EA and unsigned FONSI on the website or at the locations listed above, and would like a copy sent to you, please call Eugene Bromley at (415) 972-3510.

Comments on the EA and unsigned FONSI may be submitted to EPA postmarked no later than December 24, 2007. Comments may be sent by regular mail, fax or email to:

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